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Application No.: 10/774,623		)	Group Art Unit: 3723
Filed:	February 10, 2004	)	Examiner: Jacob K. Ackun
For:	METHOD AND DEVICE FOR	)	
	SIMULATION, METHOD AND	)	
	DEVICE FOR PARAMETER OR	)	
	CONTROL PROGRAM, POLISHING	)	
	SYSTEM, RECORDING MEDIUM,	)	
	AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING	)	
	SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE	)	

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## RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the election/restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed July 26, 2005, the period for reply extends through August 26, 2005, the Examiner required restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 between Group I (Claims 1-8), Group II (Claims 9-10), Group III (Claims 11-19), Group IV (Claims 20-21), Group V (Claims 22-23), Group VI (Claims 24-26), Group VII (Claims 27-30), Group VIII (Claims 31-38), and Group IX (Claims 39-43). Applicants hereby elect Group II (Claims 9-10) for examination. Applicants respectfully request formal examination of this application.

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If there are any other fees due in connection with the filing of this response, please charge the fees to our Deposit Account No. 50-0310. If a fee is required for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 not accounted for above, such extension is requested and the fee should also be charged to our Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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